

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the present application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remains under examination in the application are presented below. The claims are presented in ascending order and each includes one status identifier. Those claims not cancelled or withdrawn but amended by the current amendment utilize the following notations for amendment: 1. deleted matter is shown by strikethrough for six or more characters and double brackets for five or less characters; and 2. added matter is shown by underlining.

1. (Original) A golf target apparatus comprising:

a portable base unit having at least a pair of wheels;

a vertical support member having a bottom end mounted to the portable base unit such that the vertical support member projects upward from the portable base unit and wherein the vertical support member has a top end having a mounting assembly; and

a target assembly having a target support structure, a target surface and a tilt assembly, wherein the tilt assembly operably connects the mounting assembly and the target support structure such that a target profile has an adjustable tilt range from 0 degrees to 90 degrees.

2. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, wherein the portable base unit comprises a self-contained motor for propelling movement of the golf target apparatus.

3. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, wherein the portable base unit further comprises a towing member for towing the golf target apparatus.

4. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, wherein the portable base unit has a frame adapted for receiving weighting means to fix the position of the golf target apparatus.

5. (Currently Amended) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, wherein the portable base unit comprises a plurality of extensions for increasing a footprint of the golf target apparatus, said extensions having a first end attached to the portable base unit and a second end extending distally from the portable base unit attached to the portable base unit.

6. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a display apparatus, the display apparatus being rotatably couplable to the target structure such that the display apparatus is viewable throughout the tilt range of the target structure.

7. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 6, wherein the display apparatus comprises an electronic display.

8. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 7, wherein the electronic display displays an electronic message selected from the group consisting essentially of: a target yardage, a stock ticker, an advertisement, a listing of sports results, a tee box status, and a video broadcast.

9. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, wherein the vertical support comprises a first support member and a second support member, wherein the first support member is attached to the mounting assembly and the second support member is attached to the portable base unit, and

wherein the first support member is slidably adjustable with respect to the second support member for adjusting an overall height of the target assembly.

10. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 1, wherein the target support structure has an internal, concave shape defined by a plurality of support ribs, a plurality of cross-members and a perimeter wall and wherein the target surface is fixedly attached to target support structure at the perimeter wall.

11. (Original) The golf target apparatus of claim 10, wherein an internal portion of the target surface is adjustably attached to the target support structure such that the target surface and the target support structure cooperatively retain a golf ball that hits the target surface.

12. (Original) A method for practicing golf using at least one portable target comprising:

selecting a tee area such that at least one golfer has space for hitting a golf ball;

positioning the at least one portable target such that the target resides within view of the tee area; and

presenting a target surface on the portable target to the golfer such that the golfer has an aiming point when hitting the golf ball, the target surface including a tilt adjustment means for selectively varying a profile of the target surface with respect to the tee area.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein a plurality of portable targets are positioned such that the plurality of targets are within view of the tee area.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein each of the plurality of portable targets are selectively adjustable using the adjustment means to present a plurality of differing target profiles.

15. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein positioning the at least one portable target comprises towing the at least one portable target to a desired location.

16. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein positioning the at least one portable target comprises propelling the at least one portable target to a desired location using a self-contained drive means on the at least portable target.

17. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising displaying visual information to the at least one golfer with a display means attached to the at least one portable target.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein the display means is a printed media or an electronic display.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein the visual information communicated to the at least one golfer is selected from the group consisting essentially of: an advertisement, a target distance, a stock ticker, a listing of sports results, a tee box status, and a video broadcast.

Please add new claim 20 as follows:

20. (New) An elevated golf target comprising:

    a base assembly;

    an elevated support assembly mounted at a first end to the base assembly and extending from the base assembly to a second end having an adjustable mounting assembly; and

    a target assembly having a support structure, a target surface and a tilt assembly wherein the tilt assembly operably connects the adjustable mounting assembly and the support structure such that the target surface can be tilted within a range of 0° to 90° relative to the ground, said target surface further including an elliptical target and a flexible target extender disposed between the ground and the elliptical target.